

# **Drought Conditions Continue**

Latest Drought Update - August 25

## **Key Messages**

- → Extreme drought remains over portions of far southwest Missouri and southeast Kansas.
- → Severe drought coverage has decreased significantly over southwest and central Missouri.
- → There will be a chance for rain this weekend and next week, which may bring continued improvement in drought over the region.

## **NEW** Important Updates

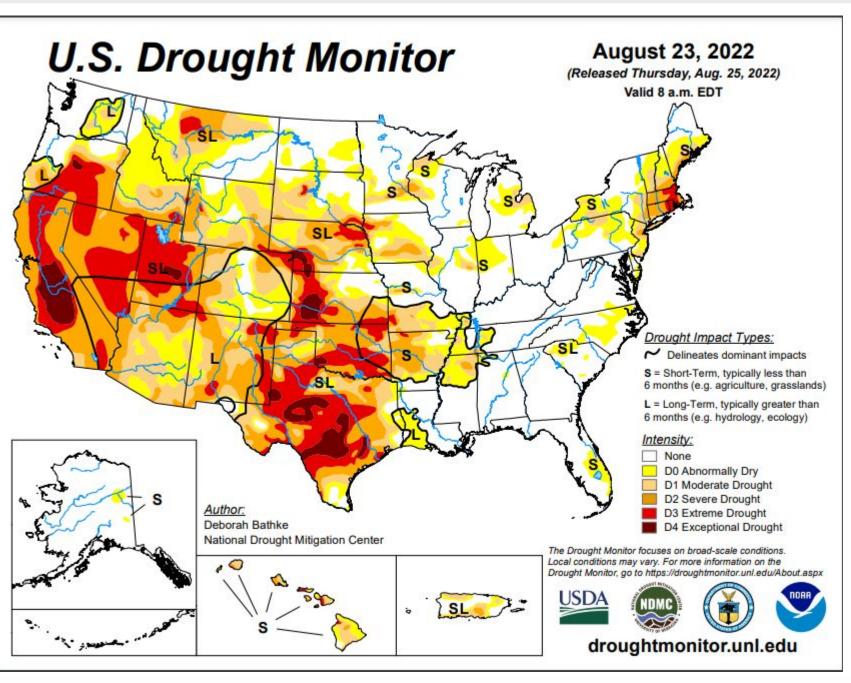
Much of southwest and central Missouri had improvement in drought conditions.

## **Next Scheduled Briefing**

→ Thursday September 1, 2022



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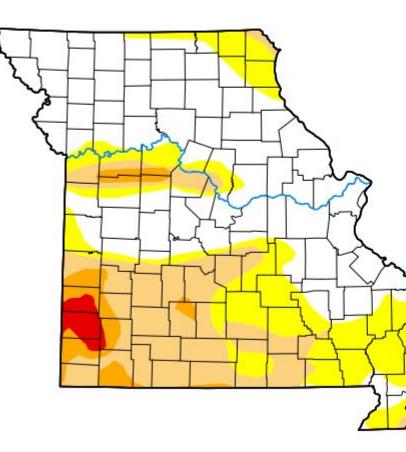


# **Missouri Drought Monitor**

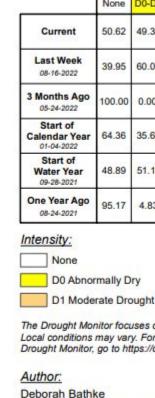
## **Overview**

- Extreme (D3) drought conditions  $\rightarrow$ remained over much of Jasper, southern Barton and northeast Newton Counties.
- Severe (D2) drought decreased  $\rightarrow$ significantly and now only covers 6 percent of the state. Areas in severe drought include locations south of the Missouri River between Kansas City and Sedalia, areas surrounding the extreme drought area over southwest Missouri, and portions of Barry and Webster Counties.
- Moderate (D1) drought covers much of  $\rightarrow$ southwest and south central Missouri.

## **U.S. Drought Monitor** Missouri









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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
50.62	49.38	26.25	6.09	1.54	0.00
<mark>39.9</mark> 5	60.05	35.94	19.26	2.41	0.00
100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
64.36	35.64	0.43	0.00	0.00	0.00
48.89	51.11	2.29	0.00	0.00	0.00
95.17	4.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

D2 Severe Drought

D3 Extreme Drought

D4 Exceptional Drought

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**Overview** 

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Extreme (D3) drought conditions

persist over Cherokee County in

Severe (D2) drought continues over

Severe (D2) drought to Exceptional

Crawford and southern Bourbon

Counties in southeast Kansas.

(D4) drought conditions persist

across southern and western

Kansas, and cover nearly 60

percent of the state.

southeast Kansas.

# **Kansas Drought Monitor**

#### Current

Last Wee 08-16-2022

3 Months A 05-24-2022

Start of Calendar Y 01-04-2022

Start of Water Yea 09-28-2021

One Year A 08-24-2021

Intensity:

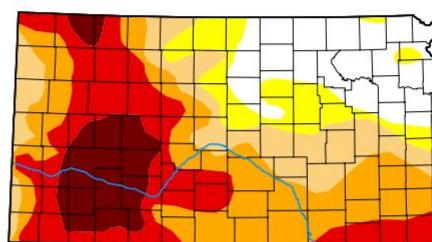
None D0 Abnormally Dry D1 Moderate Drought

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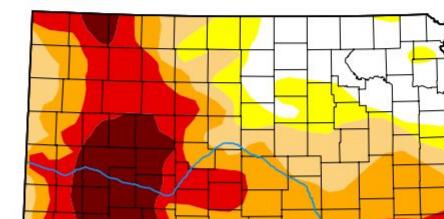


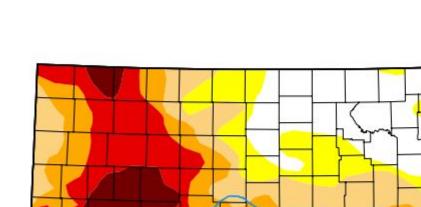




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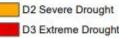
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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

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	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
	17.50	82.50	72.12	56.84	31.61	10.18
k 2	13.26	86.74	72.46	57.56	31.92	10.75
lgo	<mark>28.98</mark>	71.02	65.27	44.41	25.80	4.09
ear	25.19	74.81	52.34	14.06	2.45	0.00
ar	51.22	48.78	15.04	4.14	0.00	<mark>0.0</mark> 0
go	51.21	48.79	10. <mark>18</mark>	0.82	0.00	0.00



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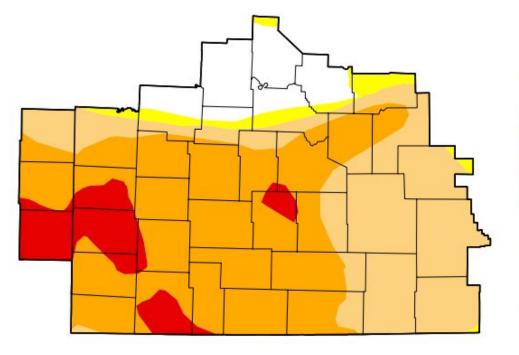


# **Drought Monitor Comparison**

**U.S. Drought Monitor** Springfield, MO WFO

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## **August 18 Drought Monitor**

## **August 25 Drought Monitor**

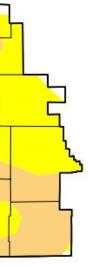


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#### Intensity:

None
D0 Abnormally Dry
D1 Moderate Drought
D2 Severe Drought
D3 Extreme Drought
D4 Exceptional Drough

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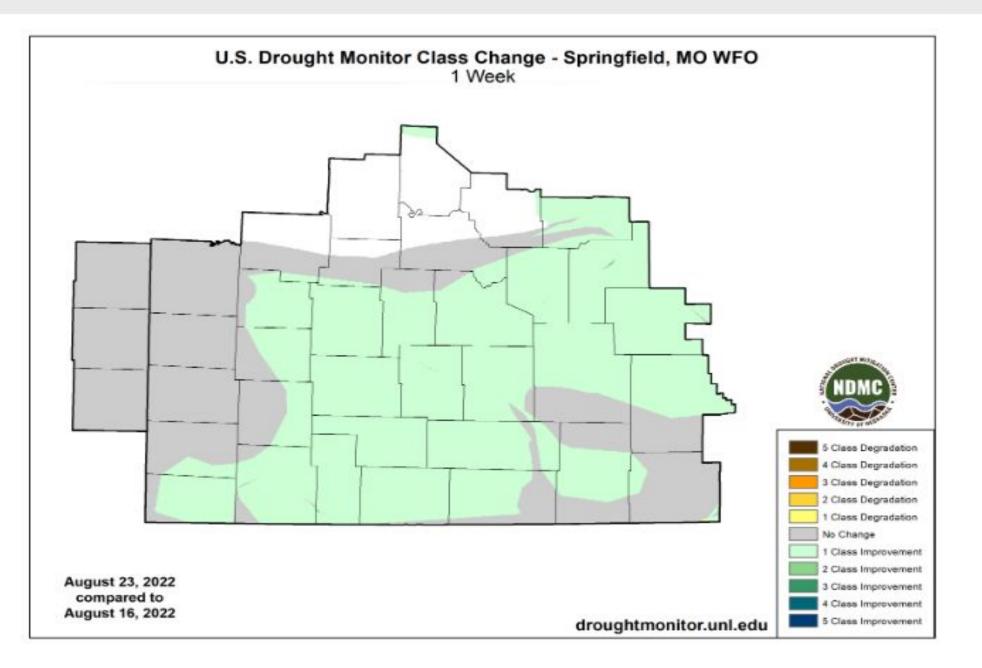
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# **Drought Monitor Class Change**

## **Highlights**

- Areas of improvement  $\rightarrow$ shown in green
- Areas with no change shown  $\rightarrow$ in gray
- Many locations east of  $\rightarrow$ Interstate 49 saw improvement
- Areas in white continue to  $\rightarrow$ have no drought designation





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# **Drought Classification**

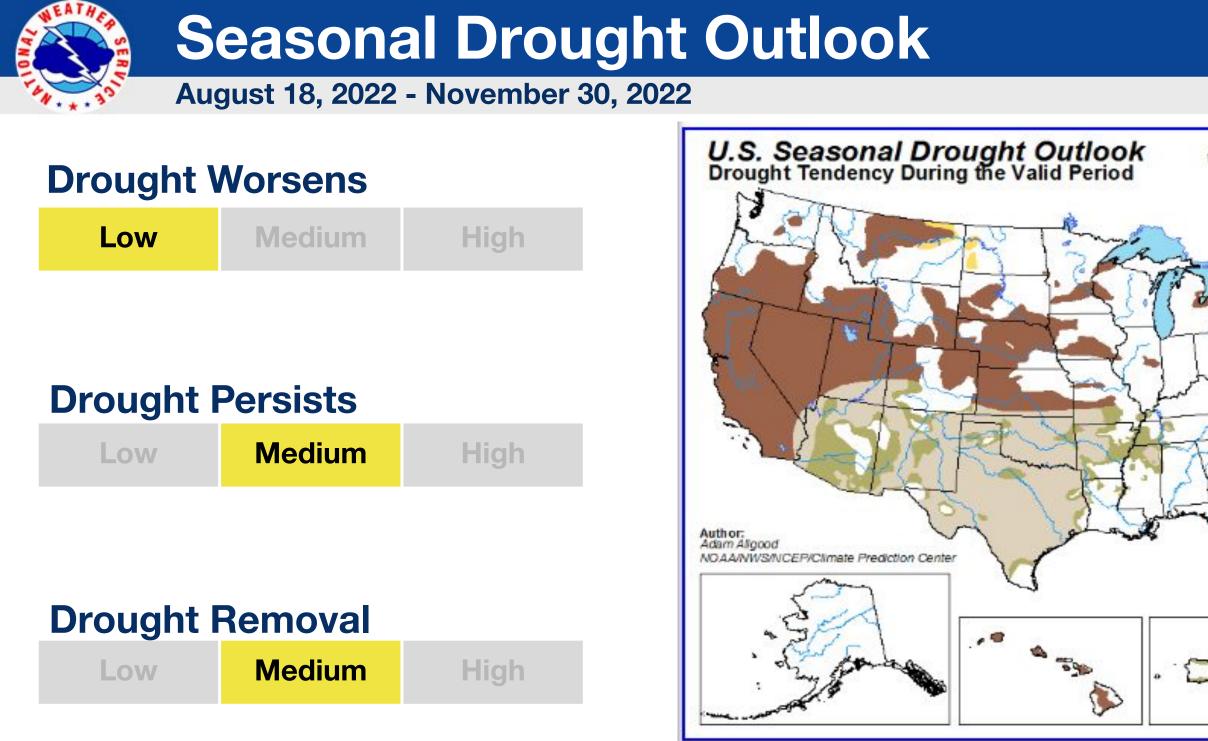
## **Drought Information**

- **State Impacts**  $\rightarrow$
- **Drought Impacts Toolkit**  $\rightarrow$
- **Drought Monitor Archive**  $\rightarrow$

			Ranges					
Category	Description	Possible Impacts	Palmer Drought Severity Index (PDSI)	CPC Soil Moisture Model (Percentiles)	USGS Weekly Streamflow (Percentiles)	Standardized Precipitation Index (SPI)	Objective Drought Indicator Blends (Percentiles)	
D0	Abnormally Dry	<ul> <li>Going into drought:</li> <li>short-term dryness slowing planting, growth of crops or pastures</li> <li>Coming out of drought:</li> <li>some lingering water deficits</li> <li>pastures or crops not fully recovered</li> </ul>	-1.0 to -1.9	21 to 30	21 to 30	-0.5 to -0.7	21 to 30	
D1	Moderate Drought	<ul> <li>Some damage to crops, pastures</li> <li>Streams, reservoirs, or wells low, some water shortages developing or imminent</li> <li>Voluntary water-use restrictions requested</li> </ul>	-2.0 to -2.9	11 to 20	11 to 20	-0.8 to -1.2	11 to 20	
D2	Severe Drought	<ul><li>Crop or pasture losses likely</li><li>Water shortages common</li><li>Water restrictions imposed</li></ul>	-3.0 to -3.9	6 to 10	6 to 10	-1.3 to -1.5	6 to 10	
D3	Extreme Drought	<ul><li>Major crop/pasture losses</li><li>Widespread water shortages or restrictions</li></ul>	-4.0 to -4.9	3 to 5	3 to 5	-1.6 to -1.9	3 to 5	
D4	Exceptional Drought	<ul> <li>Exceptional and widespread crop/pasture losses</li> <li>Shortages of water in reservoirs, streams, and wells creating water emergencies</li> </ul>	-5.0 or less	0 to 2	0 to 2	-2.0 or less	0 to 2	



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Valid for August 18 - November 30, 2022 **Released August 18** 

> Depicts large-scale trends based on subjectively derived probabilities puided by short- and long-range statistical and dynamical forecasts Use caution for applications that can be affected by short lived events. "Ongoing" drought areas are based on the U.S. Drought Monitor areas (intensities of D1 to D4).

NOTE. The tan areas imply at least a 1-cetegory improvement in the **Drought Monitor intensity levels by** the end of the period, although drought will remain. The green areas imply drought removal by the end of the period (D0 or none)

Drought persists

Drought remains but improves

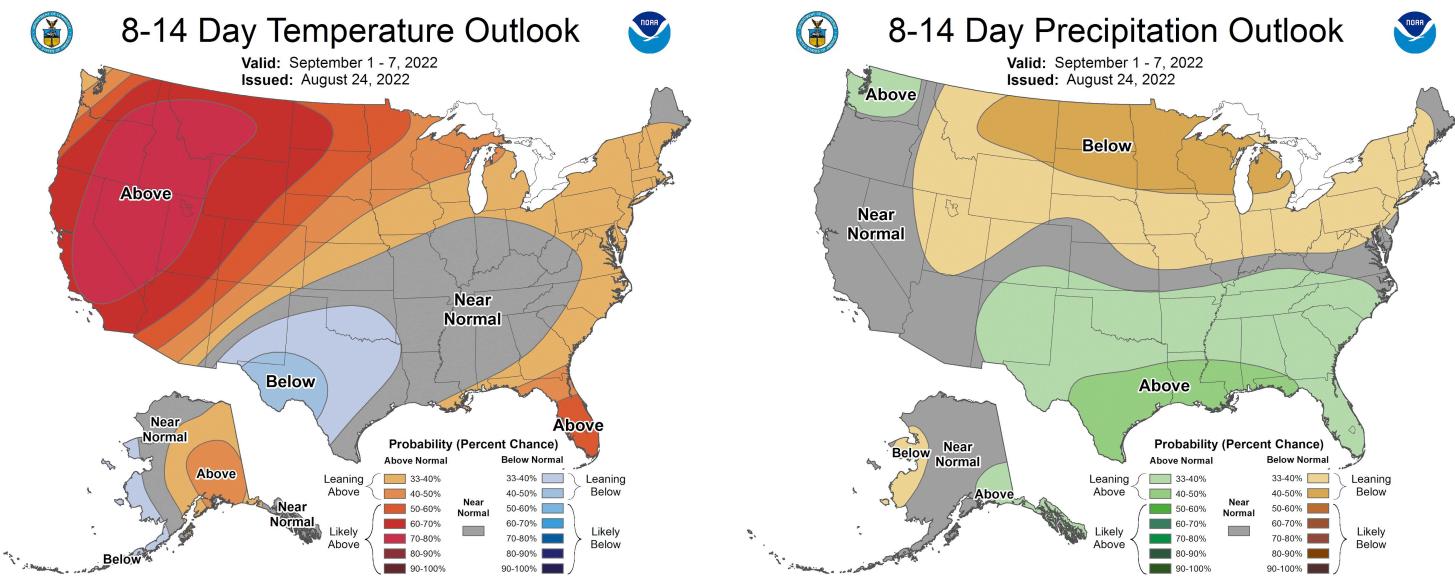
Drought removal likely

Drought development likely



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# **Precipitation Since June 1**

<b>Precipitation Since June 1</b>	(in inches)
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Location	Total	Normal	
Springfield	6.58	11.07	
Joplin	5.79	12.06	
Vichy/Rolla	8.17	11.80	
West Plains	8.01	10.93	

Precipitation amounts since June 1st still averaged 3-6 inches below normal.



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## **Dep. Normal**

## -4.49

- -6.27
- -3.63
- -2.92



# **Additional Resources**

## **For Additional Information**

- NWS Springfield Webpage  $\rightarrow$
- **IDSS Point Forecasts**  $\rightarrow$
- NWS Springfield Drought Monitor Resources  $\rightarrow$
- Graphical Hazardous Weather Outlook  $\rightarrow$
- Missouri Drought Monitor Kansas Drought Monitor  $\rightarrow$
- **CPC Drought Information**  $\rightarrow$
- National Integrated Drought Information System (NIDIS)  $\rightarrow$
- National Drought Mitigation Center (NDMC)  $\rightarrow$
- Missouri USGS Streamflows | Kansas USGS Streamflows  $\rightarrow$
- **Drought Safety**  $\rightarrow$



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## **Drought Impacts**



Agriculture Farms, ranches, and grazing lands suffer, and increases the cost of their products

**Ecosystems** Harms fish, wildlife, and plants, as well as the benefits these ecosystems provide



## During a Drought be Vigilant

**Conserve Water** 

**Practice Fire Prevention Follow Directions from Local Officials** 

Trinity Lake, CA, dry lakebed during California Drought, 2014. Photo: USGS

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#### **Public Health**

A decrease of water can lead to an increase of illness, disease, mortality rates, and adverse mental health



**Wildfire Management** Dry, hot, and windy weather combined with dried out vegetation can lead to more large-scale wildfires



#### Energy

Production of all types of energy requires water, and drought can severely impact energy systems and prices





